

ARCHIVE: COVID-19 Superintendent Call

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The following are questions asked by directors of schools during this call and the answers provided by the department. For additional guidance and up-to-the-minute supports, please check the TDOE website for more information:

https://www.tn.gov/education/health-and-safety/update-on-coronavirus.html.

Sports

- Question: Will sports be played this fall?
 - Response: For all sports related questions, we recommend districts work with their local board attorneys who can help ensure that all decisions on sporting practices and events are made in compliance with local health department guidance, Governor Lee's executive orders, and TSSAA/NFHS guidance. The Governor's Executive Order 50, released June 29, extended the state of emergency through August 29, 2020, and should be reviewed in making local determinations. External partners and organizations such as TSSAA may also prove useful in further understanding NFHS guidelines.

Health

- Question: What percentage of a local area population would trigger a school system closure? What is the state's position on facemasks for staff and students in reopening schools? Do we need to take the temperatures of Staff and employees?
 - Response: For all health-related information, we encourage districts to review our toolkit made in partnership with the Tennessee Department of Health, found here.

Continuous Learning Plans

- Question: The Continuous Learning Plan Template on the ePlan homepage appears to be a PDF format. Is the interactive template located in a different location?
 - o **Response:** The CLP template is not a "live" form but rather is a PDF that districts can download, save and complete, then re-upload.